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Applicant: Escobosa et al.

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Title: CUSTOMIZABLE AND

UPGRADABLE DEVICES AND)
METHODS RELATED THERETO)

Examiner: not assigned 9 Center St. Poly Cente

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (37 CFR §1.97(b)(3))

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified patent application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is being submitted before the mailing date of the first Office Action, therefore, no fee is required.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(2)(i), a copy of each U.S. patent listed on Form 1449 is enclosed herewith.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.104, no representation is made that a reference is "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §§102 and 103 and Applicant reserves the right, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.131 or otherwise, to establish that the reference(s) are not "prior art." Moreover, Applicant does not represent that a reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.

Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the

attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

While it is not believed that any fees are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 011,156.

Respectfully submitted,

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